

MEMORANDUM FOR: NIO. for CT/Narcs

FROM: EA/DDCI

Charlie,

John thinks these all look good. Note comment
on page 2 that you might try the FBI for a drafter for
the Foreign Terrorist Threat to the Continental US.

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The Director of Central Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20505

National Intelligence Council

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

FROM: Charles E. Allen
National Intelligence Officer for Counterterrorism and
Narcotics

SUBJECT: Production Plan

1. It has been a little over two months since I came on board as the National Intelligence Officer for Counterterrorism and Narcotics. At that time, the Intelligence Community lacked any kind of counterterrorism production plan. I have placed the highest priority on developing a plan that will be timely and of practical use to policymakers and all elements of the US Government tasked with counterterrorism (see attachment).

2. The array of international terrorism activity is vast in scope. Consequently, the topics included in the attached plan are those I believe currently warrant our closest attention. The rapidly changing face of the terrorist threat will, of course, dictate additional assessments and estimates as events develop. Some of the proposed assessments are in train with drafters selected; in other cases, the subjects are under consideration and no decision has been reached on whether to proceed to seek your approval to prepare the assessments.

3. I would appreciate your comments on the proposed plan.


Charles E. Allen

Attachment:
As Stated

10 Apr 1985

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EXEC
REG

Charles - This looks good -
The one which seems most urgent is one which you should
get all the help you can to speed it up is Project for Co-operation
in Combating Terrorism - Perhaps the lawyers in OASD can
do it in this - talk to Justice Dept. etc. etc. etc. etc. etc.

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Proposed Production Plan on Counterterrorism

Terrorism in Western Europe--The Middle Eastern Threat

This assessment will examine the threat posed to Western Europe by both independent groups and state-sponsored terrorists operating against dissidents, exiles, US or Western installations or interests. This paper is in the planning stage and a drafter has not been selected.

Target Date: Summer

Syria's Role in International Terrorism

This assessment will address Syria's role as a practitioner and patron of international terrorism. It reviews the principal targets of Syrian-sponsored terrorist operations and assesses the likelihood of Syria's involvement in attacks on US personnel or installations, moderate Arab states, and other countries of importance to the United States. The Concept Paper/TORs are in draft and will be forwarded shortly for your approval..

Target Date: June

Drafter: DDI/NESA

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Prospects for Cooperation between Developed Nations in Combating Terrorism

This assessment will examine the attitudes, policies, capabilities, obstacles, and prospects for bilateral/multilateral efforts to combat terrorism. The focus of this assessment will be Western Europe, but Japan and the USSR's attitudes will also be addressed. The Concept Paper/TORs are under preparation.

Target Date: July-August

Drafter: DDI/EURA

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The Linkages and Relationships of Terrorist Groups and Sovereign States in the Conduct of Global Operations

The assessment will examine the intricate network of religious, logistic, and intelligence linkages between terrorist groups. It will focus on Middle Eastern groups, but will also include West European, Latin American, and Asian groups.

Target date: Fall

The Likelihood of Terrorists Acquiring Nuclear Weapons

This will be an essentially new Estimate, much broader in scope than the 1982 study. It will address the motivation of groups to acquire nuclear weapons, the vulnerabilities of US and Western Europe facilities, technological development which would facilitate acquisition, growing public discussion of nuclear weapons design, market availability, and prospects for acquisition.

Target Date: September

Drafter: NIC/AG

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Terrorist Developments in Latin America: Implications for the US

This Estimate will examine recent terrorist trends in Latin America, while focusing on the destabilizing effect of terrorist activities and the threat to US interests in the region. A drafter has been selected and the Concept Paper/TORs will be prepared in the near future.

Target date: September

Drafter: DDI/ALA

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The Foreign Terrorist Threat to the Continental US

This estimate addresses the threat posed by terrorists to the continental US. This paper is under consideration at this stage. No drafter has been selected.

Target Date: Winter

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The Likelihood of Terrorists Acquiring and Employing Biological Weapons and Chemical Warfare

This assessment, which is under consideration, will assess the likelihood of terrorists acquiring and employing chemical-biological warfare. No formal interagency Estimate has been done on this subject in five years.

Target Date: late 1985.

The Export of State-Sponsored Terrorism--Iran's Growing Role

This study will examine Iran's policies, official attitudes, linkages with other Shiite groups, and prospects for continuing its leading role in global terrorism.

Target Date: late 1985.

Drug-Related Political Instability, Insurgency, and Terrorism: Implications for US National Security

This study will examine the links/relationships of terrorists, insurgents, and certain sovereign states with the drug business and the implications of these relationships and activities for US national security. This Estimate was requested by Mr. McFarlane, and a drafter will be selected shortly.

Target Date: Summer

The Soviet and East European Role in Terrorism

This assessment will examine the role of Moscow and its East European allies in supporting terrorist groups through training, logistics, and intelligence support. In light of a possible Soviet role in the attempted assassination of the Pope, this assessment will also address Moscow's potential to sponsor/employ terrorist operations against leaders or individuals it feels threaten Moscow's interests. Again, this assessment is only being considered; further consultation with the Chairman, NIC, and the Intelligence Community is required before a decision can be made to proceed.

Target date: December